



PER THE DESPLAINES VALLEY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT

As of August 15, 2018

West Nile Virus (WNV) levels within the adult mosquito population have reached extremely high levels where transmission to humans is imminent. The species of mosquito involved in WNV transmission is a passive mosquito, and not an aggressive biter, with its presence often going undetected. People assume that if mosquitoes are not biting then precautionary measures are not necessary. The DesPlaines Valley Mosquito Abatement District has maintained an aggressive mosquito larval control program throughout the summer against all mosquito species. Larval control operations are ongoing and will continue through the mosquito season. With escalation of WNV in the adult mosquito population last month, contingency adult mosquito control operations were instituted, and have focused on areas experiencing high WNV levels. Spraying for adult mosquitoes will be conducted during evening hours between dusk and midnight as needed. **The District lists all areas to be sprayed on a particular evening on its website at desplainesvalleymad.com, on a recorded message available after 3:30pm at 708-447-1765, and notifies Villages for inclusion on their websites. For more information on how to protect yourself from mosquitoes and reduce the chances of exposure, visit our website: www.burr-ridge.gov. (<http://www.burr-ridge.gov/wp-content/uploads/sp-client-document-manager/3/dvmad-press-release-8-15-18.pdf>)**